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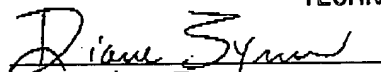
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In re application of:

Toshihiko HIGUCHI

Serial No: 09/910,447

Filed: July 19, 2001

For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE HAVING A  
CONTROLLED GATE SHAPE AND METHOD FOR  
MANUFACTURING THE SAME (Amended)

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- ☐ Small entity status has been claimed. See 37 CFR § 1.2
- ☐ A certified copy of \_\_\_ Patent Application No. \_\_\_ filed from which priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 is enclosed.
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